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VIA ECFS
April 23, 2009

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Oral *Ex Parte* Communication: Petition of Verizon New England for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 160 (c) Rhode Island, WC Docket No. 08-24; Petition of the Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 160 (c) in Cox's Service Territory in the Virginia Beach Metropolitan Statistical Area WC Docket No.08-49

Dear Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1206, I hereby provide you with notice of an oral ex parte presentation in connection with the above-referenced petitions. The presentation occurred on April 22, 2009 in a meeting I had with Commissioner Robert M. McDowell and his Legal Advisor for Wireline, Nick Alexander.

I presented the views of XO Communications, tw telecom and Cbeyond on the Forbearance Petitions and discussed information previously submitted into the record by these companies. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this submission.

Sincerely,


Charles W. "Chip" Pickering

cc: Commissioner Robert M. McDowell (by email)
Nick Alexander (by email)
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